

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 27 public bills, H.R. 1577–1603; and 6 resolutions, H. Res. 258–263, were introduced. **Pages H3640–41**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H3641–42**

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 257, providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules (H. Rept. 111–40).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Butterfield to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H3529**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. George E. Battle, Bishop, North Eastern Episcopal District, African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church, Charlotte, North Carolina.

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Suspension: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

Federal Aviation Administration Extension Act of 2009: H.R. 1512, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund and to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend authorizations for the airport improvement program.

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Generations Invigorating Volunteerism and Education Act: The House passed H.R. 1388, to reauthorize and reform the national service laws, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 321 yeas to 105 nays, Roll No. 140.

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Agreed to the Foxx motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Education and Labor with instructions to report the bill back to the House forthwith with amendments, by a recorded vote of 318 yeas to 105 nays, Roll No. 139. Subsequently, Representative George Miller (CA) reported the bill back to the House with the amendments and the amendments were agreed to.

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Agreed by unanimous consent that the Chair may reduce to 2 minutes the minimum time for electronic voting under clause 6 of rule 18 and clauses 8 and 9 of rule 20.

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Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and Labor now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the 5-minute rule. **Page H3553**

Accepted:

Andrews amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 111–39), as modified, that makes certain technical changes; allows interagency agreements between Federal agencies to support national service programs by approving the use of service positions in projects carried out by other agencies; clarifies that the goal of reaching 250,000 volunteers is throughout all national service positions, not just AmeriCorps; and clarifies that the Corporation should promote efficiency and eliminate duplicative requirements in applications and report back to the authorizing committees on its progress in doing so. Adds language to promote community based efforts to reduce crime and recruit public safety officers into service opportunities. Adds “severely economically distressed community” as a new definition. Includes a new activity under the Opportunity Corps focused on a musician and artists corps program that helps meet educational needs in low income communities. Incorporates language that would increase access to and participation in federally supported nutrition programs (an earlier request for a recorded vote was vacated and the amendment was considered adopted pursuant to the ruling of the Chair that the yeas had prevailed on a voice vote); **Pages H3583–89, H3590**

Hunter amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 111–39) that removes veteran’s educational benefits from being taken into account when calculating the maximum award an individual could receive for participating in one of the national service programs;

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Roskam amendment (No. 7 printed in H. Rept. 111–39) that requires all authorized programs to be reviewed by the OMB’s Program Assessment Rating Tool; requires GAO to do a study on the National Civilian Community Corps program; and amends the underlying legislation to continue the annual evaluation requirement for the National Civilian Community Corps, not a single evaluation by 2014;

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Hill amendment (No. 9 printed in H. Rept. 111–39) that denotes that sending care packages to soldiers deployed in combat zones overseas is included as an eligible service program; **Pages H3597–98**

Teague amendment (No. 10 printed in H. Rept. 111–39) that aids veterans in their pursuit of education and professional opportunities, helps veterans with the claims process, and assists rural, disabled, and unemployed veterans with transportation needs;

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Pingree (ME) amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 111–39) that adds to the list of approved